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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Lockhart, et al

Application No.: 09/682,838

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For: Apparatus and Method for Processing

Multiple Arrays of Biological Probes

Assistant Commissioner of Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated June 5, 2002, Applicants elect Group II, i.e., claims 2 through 16 and 28 through 33.

The above election is made with traverse because Applicants believe that all claims can be searched and examined at the same time.

Respectfully submitted,

Examiner: BJ. Forman

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